ARTICLE 7 DUES DEDUCTION

- 7.1 The City will deduct from the pay of each employee covered by this Memorandum of Agreement, while such employee is assigned to a classification included in a Representation Unit represented by the Union, dues uniformly required as a condition of membership, pursuant to the Union's constitution and bylaws provided that the employee has signed an appropriate Authorized Dues Deduction card. Such authorization shall be on a form approved by the Municipal Employee Relations Officer.
- 7.2 Payroll dues deductions shall be in the amount certified to the Municipal Employee Relations Officer from time to time by the designated officer of the Union as regular monthly dues.
- 7.3 Deductions shall be made from wages earned by the employee for the first two pay periods in each month for dues for the preceding month. The City will remit to the designated officer of the employee organization the amounts so deducted accompanied by a list of the employees for whom the deduction was made. The deductions and the list will be remitted to the Union not later than twenty-one (21) days following the pay period in which the deductions were made.
- 7.4 Properly executed dues deduction cards and an alphabetical list of the additional employees authorizing the deduction shall be submitted to the Municipal Employee Relations Officer on or before the Monday of the week preceding the beginning of the pay period in which deductions are to be made.
- 7.5 If, through inadvertence or error, the City fails to make the authorized deduction, or any part thereof, the City shall assume no responsibility to correct such omission or error retroactively.
- 7.6 It is expressly understood and agreed that the Union will refund to the employee any union dues erroneously withheld from an employee's wages by the City and paid to the Union. In the event the Union fails to refund the dues erroneously withheld within a reasonable period of time following notification, the City will make such refund and deduct the amount from the amount due to the Union.
- 7.7 The Union shall indemnify the City and hold it harmless against any and all suits, claims, demands and liabilities that may arise out of or by reason of any action that shall be taken by the City for the purpose of complying with the foregoing provisions of this Article, or in reliance on any list or certification which shall have been furnished to the City under the above provisions.

ARTICLE 8 MANAGEMENT RIGHTS

8.1 Except to the extent that the rights are specifically limited by the provisions of the Agreement, the City retains all rights, powers and authority granted to it or which it has pursuant to law or the City Charter including, but not limited to: the right to direct the work force; increase, decrease or reassign the work force; hire, promote, demote; discharge or discipline for cause; transfer or reclassify employees; provide merit increases; assign employees days of work, shifts, overtime and special work requirements, and to determine the necessity, merits, mission and organization of any service or activity of the City or of any City Department, Agency or Unit.